

CLAIM AMENDMENTS

1-10 (Cancelled)

11. (New) A device for ejecting tablets from a blister of a blister sheet through a foil backing sheet, comprising a cup having a rim which can be placed against the underside of the backing sheet around the position of the blister, and a projection for rupturing the foil and extending upwardly above the rim of the cup in the vicinity of its central portion, the projection being used to strip the foil of the backing sheet tablets from the underside of the blister so that the tablets fall through the ruptured foil into the cavity of the cup from which they can be retrieved by the patient.

12. (New) A device as set forth in claim 11, in which the projection is constructed as an upwardly directed blade.

13. (New) A device as set forth in claim 11, in which the upper end of the blade is serrated to assist rupturing of the foil.

14. (New) A device as set forth in claim 11, constructed as a one-piece plastic molding.

15. (New) A device as set forth in claim 11, in which the corner regions in the interior of the well are rounded to facilitate its cleaning.

16. (New) A device as set forth in claim 11, in which the projection tapers progressively in cross-section towards its free end.

17. (New) A device as set forth in claim 11, in which the cup is of circular cross-section and the projection is of rectangular cross-section.

18. (New) A device as set forth in claim 11, in which the side wall of the cup is gently upwardly divergent.

19. (New) A device as set forth in claim 11, in which the mouth of the cup is between five and six centimeters in diameter, the height of the cup wall interior is about 2.75 centimeters, and the projection extends about one centimeter above the cup well.

20. (New) A device as set forth in claim 11, in which the upper end of the projection is convex.